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Mark,

Sure. Please see the enclosed. Please ask those who would like to join us to RSVP.

Thanks

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Jay:

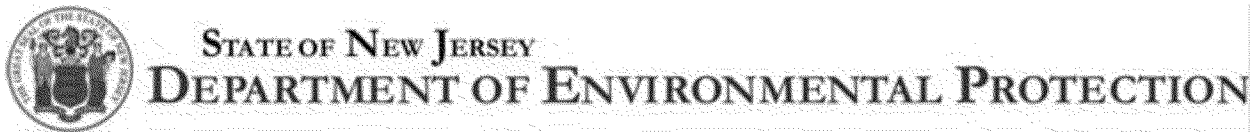
The State of New Jersey has fully supported the efforts of EPA Region 2 to restore the lower Passaic River by advancing the State's preferred remedy of navigational dredging and off-site disposal of dredged material. The State's position on the preferred remedy—a preference shared by EPA—could not be more clear, as stated in the attached letters from Governor Christie and

DEP Commissioner Martin.

The July 22 public meeting to engage in “technical discussion” of key elements of the Proposed Plan in the midst of the public comment period is unprecedented in EPA’s Superfund history, and DEP does not see how it will benefit the public review process. DEP staff may attend to listen but not will not participate.

Sincerely,

Mark J. Pedersen, Assistant Commissioner



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